

Meeting Date: September 5, 2019 Presiding Officer: Chair A'dja Jones

The Staff Senate held the September session on Thursday, September 5, 2019 in PSU 313. Chair A'dja Jones called the session to order at 11:00 a.m.

Guests: Dr. Andrea Weber; Campbell Keele; Suzanne Moskalski and Jessica Silvey Absences: Lisa Bonner JF1; Nicole Dalton JF1; Sandy Johnson JF1; Peggy Jones JF1; Holly Calkins JF2; Lisa Cooper JF2; Ronnie Freeman JF2; Brian Henry JF2; Nick Delamora JF3; Paige Oxendine JF4 and Trisha Riggs JF4

### **GREETING**

• Chair Jones welcomed everyone.

#### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

August minutes were approved.

### **GUEST PRESENTER**

 Dr. Andrea Weber from Behavioral Intervention Team (BIT) presented. This is an Interdepartmental group that identifies problematic student behavior.

### **EXECUTIVE REPORTS**

### **Chair Report**

- Chair Jones reported that we still have several Staff Senators seats available. If you know someone that would be interested in serving please email the Executive Board.
- Chair Jones informed the senate that Human Resources will be presenting in future over open enrollment.
- Chair Jones read a thank you letter from a staff senate scholarship recipient.
- Chair Jones briefly went over the Missouri State Action Plan.
- Chair Jones reminded everyone that the first tailgate is September 21 and encouraged everyone to show up.

#### **Chair Elect Report**

- Chair Elect Sode presented the staff senate budget and gave an overview. Allocated funds (pending \$5600) is \$7000 minus current charges of \$159.76 leaves an operating budget of \$6840.24.
- Chair Elect Sode reported that there is \$8773.31 in the Staff Senate Scholarship fund.

#### **Secretary Report**

• Secretary Deckard asked everyone to turn placards back in and to remember to sign the attendance sheets since she's just learning who everyone is.

#### **Director of Committees**

- Director of Committees Chavez reminded senators about attendance policy for committees. If you can't be there then reach out to the chair to see if there's something you can help with.
- Director of Committees Chavez gave a shout out to Senator Hains and Senator Riggs for stepping up and filling in where needed.
- Director of Committees Chavez reported on the Breast Cancer Awareness Committee. There
  will be a luncheon on October 4 from 11-1 and this year there will be a speaker from Breast
  Cancer Foundation of the Ozarks. We need to have senators there to help with cleaning off the
  tables and will be in 30-minute shifts. The Breast Cancer Survivor photo will be taken on
  September 13 at 9:45 in front of Carrington and Diana Garland will be updating the board in
  Carrington Hall with new picture.

#### Past Chair Report

• Past Chair Lee reported on the Course Credit Waiver work group and hoping to get where you can bank credit hours with years of service. Jon asked for senators to join work group.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

- Director of Committees Chavez presented the budget for both the Sept 21<sup>st</sup> and October 26<sup>th</sup>
   Tailgates and motioned for approval for \$2000.00. Motion passed.
- Senator Henson presented the budget for the Administrative Professional Forum for the November 20<sup>th</sup> event in the Parliamentary room and food and motioned for approval for \$400.00. Motion passed.
- Senator Reed informed the senate that we are cutting back to two book clubs a year. One in the Fall, which is over winter break, and one in the Summer. Senator Reed motioned for \$700 for the Fall book club. Motion passed.
- Chair Jones appointed Senator Henson for Parliamentarian.

## **OPEN FORUM**

- Senator Reed reminded everyone that the Adopt a Street clean up will be September 20. Please come and help.
- Senator Franka reminded everyone that this Friday is First Art Walk

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Jones thanked everyone and motioned to adjourn. Motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 12:07 p.m.

The next session will be held on Thursday, October 3, 2019 in Glass Hall room 438.